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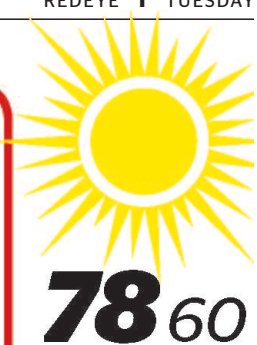
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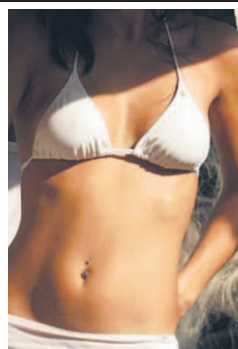


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**Credit crunch**

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## AT THE BREAK

**Celebri-TV and politics collide**

Celebrities seem to be the center of attention—even when it comes to political ads. Celebrity is the new buzz word in attack ads on the campaign.

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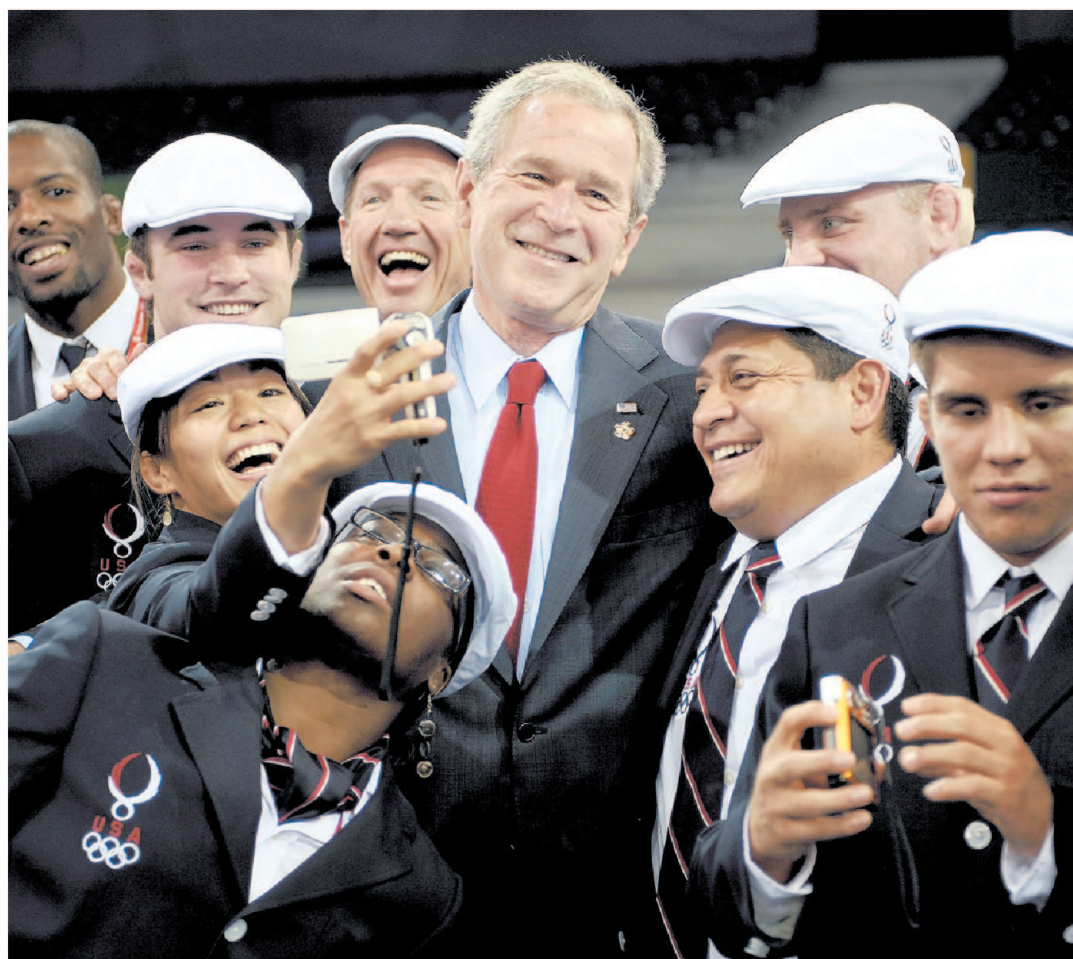
**celebrity:** a famous or well-publicized person.

**New definition:** political jab used by John McCain and Barack Obama.

**Example #1:** A new Obama ad shows McCain on "Saturday Night Live" with Steve Carell, and on talk shows with David Letterman, Jay Leno and "The View." The message: "A Washington celebrity playing the same old Washington games."

**Example #2:** Images of Britney Spears and Paris Hilton appear in McCain's attack ad. The voice-over: "He's the biggest celebrity in the world, but is he ready to lead?"

Letterman



Clarissa Chun of the USA wrestling team takes a photo of her and her teammates Friday while posing with President Bush. GETTY IMAGES



Bush huddles with members of the U.S. Olympic men's basketball team. AP



Bush and First Lady Laura Bush pose with Michael Phelps (right) and Larsen Jensen. AP



Bush plays volleyball with U.S. beach volleyball player Misty May-Treanor. GETTY IMAGES

# Olympic fever

## President Bush says Olympics exceeded his expectations

**Associated Press**

**BEIJING** Halfway around the world, President Bush managed to cap his Olympic experience at a place he calls home: a baseball field.

Bush listens to baseball games like background music at the White House, a sound that puts him at ease. And so here in Beijing, comfortably keeping an eye on a baseball game, Bush reflected on an Olympics experience that was extraordinary even by presidential standards.

"It's exceeded my expectations," Bush said Monday before returning to Washington. He meant the whole deal: the venues, the people, the pride.

Never had a U.S. president taken part in an Olympics on foreign land. Bush soaked it in for four days.

He managed to do what he promised he would—take in a whole lot of sports—while dealing with Russia's violent crackdown on Georgia and carefully confronting China's repression of human freedoms.

At the Olympic baseball stadium, Bush was in the mood to talk sports, not policy. He had just spent time mingling with the Chinese and U.S. baseball

teams, and now they were lacing line drives across one of Beijing's pristine Olympic venues.

The president was in his element.

"I think the highlight was getting my picture taken with the teams," Bush said, referring to a moment he had with the whole U.S. Olympic contingent.

The comment was surprising and telling. Bush gets his photo taken so often with so many groups that it would hardly seem to be a defining moment. Consider, for example, that he also got to see the stunning opening ceremony and an exhilarating victory by U.S. swimmers.

But for Bush, those seemingly routine photo opportunities with athletes are a joy. Anyone close to him knows he likes sports for what they are, but also for what they represent: competition, grit, work. It doesn't hurt that the athletes are thrilled to see him.

"They were so gracious, and grateful and excited," Bush said. "It's just a very energetic feeling. You know, they represent the best of U.S. athletics. And they were really excited about their events, and they're full of hope. It was just a very uplifting experience."

**BUSH'S OLYMPIC ITINERARY**

President Bush went to a practice of the U.S. softball team, as well as the baseball practice game, as a sign of support for the two sports. Both were cut from the Olympic program in 2012.

The president got sandy practicing with the beach volleyball duo of Misty May-Treanor and her partner Kerri Walsh. A photo showing May-Treanor's show of spirit—she prodded the president to give her a playful smack on her lower back, and he went along—caused something of a buzz.

"I didn't take it very seriously," Bush said. "I guess everything the president does is interesting."

Before the big U.S.-China basketball game, Bush met the players, huddled up, and led them in a one-two-three-USA cheer.

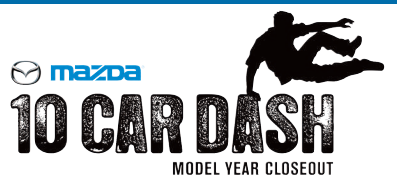
In a fine bit of timing, the last official competition the president caught was so good that within minutes it was being described as one of the greatest comebacks in Olympic history. In the 400 freestyle swimming relay, the American team won when Jason Lezak, blasting his way through the water, overtook a French swimmer at the last possible second. AP





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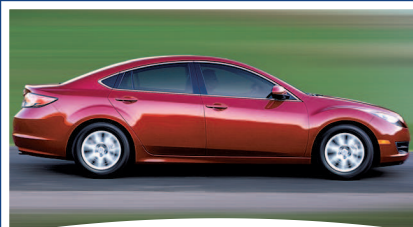


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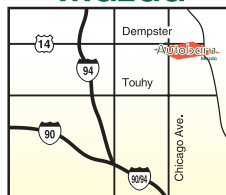
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# Handicapped riders and the CTA

## Some stations hard to get around

For those of us who navigate the CTA without physical limitations, the transit agency's shortcomings might be annoying, but bearable. But a recent experiment by a student from the Adler School of Professional Psychology demonstrates that for some riders, mass transit might be mission impossible.

In April, 23-year-old Michael Brennan, a Rogers Park resident, decided to delve into the world of a wheelchair user for a school assignment. Brennan, who described himself as "athletic," rented a manual wheelchair and, on a Sunday in April, attempted to take the Red Line from Loyola to Belmont.

"You see elevators and the turnstiles catered toward wheelchair users," Brennan said. "You figure that accessibility is an important aspect of public transportation."

Over the next three hours, Brennan had difficulty navigating the lift on a No.155-Devon bus that took him to the Loyola stop; his front wheels became stuck several times between the "L" platform and the train; and he discovered too late that—at the time of his trip—there was not an elevator at the Howard stop.

The south entrance at the Howard Station has since been equipped with four elevators, according to CTA spokeswoman Wanda Taylor, who said they were added in June.

Ninety-one of the 44 CTA stations will be wheelchair accessible when the Brown Line capacity expansion is complete by the end of 2009, according to Taylor. Currently, all CTA buses and 84 stations are accessible, Taylor said. The CTA will add more stations to that list as funds become available, she said.

But other issues convinced Brennan that the CTA needs to be more accessible.

"I kept looking around for a customer assistant on the platform but never saw one," Brennan said of his sticky situation at Loyola. "After that train left and a second train came, I had to ask some guy to help me board. He looked kind of embarrassed, but he helped me out."

Lack of sufficient CTA assistance is an everyday reality for riders in wheelchairs, said Ayo Maat, a spokeswoman for locally based Independent Movement of Paratransit Riders for Unity, Vehicles, Equality.

Maat, a motorized wheelchair user, says she often hears from members who have trouble getting CTA employees to assist them during their trips or are waylaid by broken elevators at "L" stops.

"One in three rail operators will not help members if they need help on or off a car," Maat said.

Taylor also said that assistance for riders in wheelchairs should be a touch away, via call buttons on platforms and in "L" cars. Customer assistants also can ask if riders need assistance, according to Taylor.

Well, that didn't happen in Brennan's case.

But riders who need help getting on or off the train or bus may have someone new to count on.

"If anyone even remotely looks like they're having physical difficulties, I'm right there, like 'do you need help?'" Brennan said. "I'd lift people up on the 'L' if I could."



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# The other fast food

Legal or not, treats vendors peddle are hot (or cold) stuff

By **Leonor Vivanco**  
REDEYE

On a muggy Thursday afternoon recently, a glistening Maria Ortiz relaxed in the shade after pushing her aluminum cart five blocks down North Avenue to Humboldt Park to sell piraguas, or shaved ices.

The cart sat at the children's playground at the park where her father, Angel Ortiz, 73, has been selling shaved ice as a way to make extra money for the past 28 years. The Ortizes said they have staked out this spot since May, seven hours a day, as long as it doesn't rain.

Once they subtract the cost of syrup, ice and gas to get the ice, they make about a \$50 profit on a good day.

Maria Ortiz, 43, said being a vendor is more about her Puerto Rican culture and spending time with her father than making a buck.

"It's not about the money. It's the tradition," she said.

Summer is the season when street food vendors stroll down the sidewalks of Chicago communities, especially in predominantly ethnic neighborhoods such as Humboldt Park, Pilsen and Albany Park. Some of them operate legally, but others do not.

Many vendors push carts down streets or stand outside grocery stores or thrift shops selling elotes (corn on the cob), chicharones (fried pork rinds), pepinos (cucumbers) and mangos.

Steps away from the Ortizes in Humboldt Park, another vendor rolled his ice cream cart with bells on the handlebar. Another man stood next to his pickup truck, selling watermelons. Another stood in the middle of North Avenue advertising water bottles for sale by holding one bottle

in each hand.

These food peddlers, as the city calls them, operate under a confusing mishmash of laws.

The city regulates food vendors on city streets and sidewalks with two different licenses, depending on what the vendor is selling. The Chicago Park District has its own set of rules for permitted vendors on park property.

In the city as of July 30, there were 481 licensed food peddlers (permitting only whole, uncut and unprepared fruits and vegetables to be sold from wagons, pushcarts handcarts, packs or baskets) and 600 licensed mobile food dispensers (permitting catering trucks to sell preprepared and prepackaged food and pushcart vendors to sell packaged ice cream), said Efrat Stein, spokes-

woman for the city's Department of Business Affairs and Licensing.

In addition, the Park District has issued permits this year to 162 seasonal vendors, including the Ortizes.

But many food peddlers operate unlicensed and illegally.

For example, licensed food peddlers are allowed to sell only whole and uncut fruits and vegetables on city streets. That means the stands selling cut mangos or corn served with condiments such as may-

onnaise, butter and cheese are violating the city's regulations by preparing, handling and cutting food.

"We realize that this is a problem, and it's more of a problem in some areas than others," Stein said. "Unlike fixed establishments, these are more difficult to enforce because they are a moving target."

She estimates that roughly 90 percent of



**"It's not about the money. It's the tradition."**

**MARIA ORTIZ**

on the cart she runs to make extra money. Her father began selling shaved ice 28 years ago.

the department's enforcement is in response to complaints. Occasionally, department inspectors will do a sweep if there's a large number of complaints in an area, she said. So far this year, the department has received 35 complaints regarding food vendors, ranging from making noise to impeding pedestrian traffic, Stein said. The city has issued 560 tickets related to people selling food on the street this year, she said. Fines range from \$50 to \$1,000 depending on the violation, she said.

The city also has no-peddling zones. Street food vendors are banned in areas where they could pose traffic and pedestrian flow issues, Stein said.

Though customers don't need to worry about breaking the law when they buy food



## TALK BACK

Do you buy food from street vendors? Why or why not? Tell us by e-mailing [ritaredeye@tribune.com](mailto:ritaredeye@tribune.com). Please include your full name, age and neighborhood. Send your photo, too, and we may publish it with your letter.

from these vendors, they might question whether the food is safe enough to eat and if the knife used to cut the food is clean.

"The whole reason these regulations are in place is to prevent health consequences," Stein said.

The city's Department of Public Health





Street vendor Maria Ortiz tidies her cart while waiting for customers in Humboldt Park.

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inspects licensed street food vendors, spokesman Tim Hadac said. But unlicensed pushcarts operating illegally often fall through the cracks, he said.

The department doesn't go out looking for illegal street food vendors but will shut down their operations when inspectors come across them, he said.

Still, customers line up at the carts, taking a risk on the food.

"I just don't think about it," said Anthony Rios, 21, who said he has bought food from vendors.

But others, like Audrey Lespier, 30, worry whether the mayonnaise or cheese put on the elotes is being stored properly and if the hands touching the food are clean.

"Sometimes you do make the excep-

tion and still buy it depending on how bad you want it," said Lespier, who grew up in Humboldt Park and now lives in Franklin Park.

But cleanliness and proper food temperatures are concerns anywhere there's food, she said.

"You can worry about sanitation in any restaurant," Lespier said.

At another vendor's cart parked on the sidewalk at North Avenue in Humboldt Park, butter for the elotes was chilled on ice. The vendor rinsed his knife with bottled water and wiped it clean on a towel. He's worked as a vendor for the past two years to help support his family, making an average of \$60 to \$80 a day in the summer.

He said in Spanish he didn't have a ped-



Johnny Bolden IV, 4, sips on a piragua in Humboldt Park. STACIE FREUDENBERG FOR REDEYE

## Street foodies

Roasted peanuts are sold in Times Square. Sausages are sold outside the Hollywood Bowl. So why don't we see many street vendors in Chicago's pedestrian-heavy areas, like the Loop?

After street markets set up shop downtown on Wacker Drive in the 1840s, food vendors cropped up nearby, said Bruce Kraig, president of the Culinary Historians of Chicago.

Near the turn of the century, city officials thought the vendors' carts were unclean, and restaurants downtown didn't want the competition, he said. As a result, the city started to limit and control the vendors in the late 1800s and early 1900s. Street food vendors were pushed out of downtown.

Since then, food vendors have branched out even more and are often seen in Mexican or Puerto Rican communities. The current city code officially prohibits food peddlers in the central district, as well as other areas throughout the city. **L.V.**

## Rules and regulations

The city requires street food vendors to have either a food peddler license (only selling fruits and vegetables) or mobile food license (such as ice cream trucks). Some wards have banned food vendors in certain high-traffic areas. The difference between the two licenses:

### Food peddlers

>> Can sell whole and uncut fruits and vegetables from a wagon, pushcart, handcart, pack or basket. Cannot handle or prepare food.

>> License renewed every two years for \$165, or \$88 for seniors, veterans and disabled people.

### Mobile food dispensers

>> Can sell from a wheeled vehicle—like a catering truck—prepackaged and preprepared food from a licensed retail food establishment. Mobile pushcarts are allowed to sell packaged desserts.

>> License renewed every two years for \$275

### PARK PEDDLERS

The Park District has its own set of rules for seasonal vendors from May through October, according to Marta Juaniza, parks assistant press secretary.

Food vendors pay \$150 for an annual food and retail permit, allowing them to sell food and beverages during park district operating hours, she said. All food must be approved by park management and pass health inspections for temperature control, she said. Unlike the city requirements, vendors permitted at parks can handle and cook food on-site, she said. In addition, they pay a fee based on the requested location on Park District property and go through a food and sanitation certification process, she said. **L.V.**

dlar license and didn't know city regulations prohibited him from selling cut mangos or prepared ears of corn.

But he sold them to paying customers. And the loyal buyers know where to find vendors.

At Humboldt Park, mothers, toddlers and even police officers lined up for the Ortizes' shaved ice flavored with fruity, sugary homemade syrup.

While competition from illegal vendors frustrates Maria Ortiz, who has seen sales slow from the recent economic downturn, she plans to keep her father's business going.

Until the weather cools in September, she says, she'll be in the same spot every day.

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Mayor Daley (left) greets Olympic gymnasts Nadia Comaneci (center) and Bart Conner on Monday in Beijing at a reception celebrating the city of Chicago's bid as a candidate city for the 2016 Olympic Games. AP

## CRIME WATCH

### HEGEWISCH Man charged with murder

**1** A man accused of fatally stabbing a prostitute in a fight over her rates was held in lieu of \$700,000 bail Monday. Joseph Johnson, 70, of the 13200 block of South Houston Avenue was charged with first degree murder in the slaying of Paulette Thomas, 55.

### AUBURN GRESHAM Shooting kills man on South Side

**2** A man was fatally shot Sunday night on a South Side street corner, Chicago police said Monday. Jamel Houston, 24, was with a group of men in the 7900 block of South Aberdeen Street about 10:15 p.m. when a fight broke out, police said. Houston, of the 12000 block of South State Street, was shot several times.

### RIVERDALE Body burned, cops say it's homicide

**3** An autopsy Monday determined that an unidentified person found in the trunk of a burning vehicle on the Far South Side had been shot, and the death was ruled a homicide. The charred human remains were found Sunday in the 1000 block of East 130th Street on the northern edge of the Altgeld Gardens public-housing complex, police said.



# Olympic lessons

## Daley chats up Chicago's 2016 bid, discusses Beijing

### Chicago Tribune

Mayor Daley's excellent adventure at the 2008 Olympics neared its conclusion Monday night in pure Chicago style, with a blues-infused soiree designed to promote the city's bid for the 2016 Summer Games.

Though Chicago 2016 bid leader Patrick Ryan and other team members are staying for the entire Games, the mayor heads home Tuesday.

To top off Daley's visit, he and Ryan spent the night entertaining a crowd of about 100 members of the press, talking up the bid and reflecting on lessons learned in Beijing in the early days of the Games.

Both men, having ditched their usual dark suits for sports jackets and open-collared shirts, appeared to be savoring it.

In interviews with the Tribune, they shared some early impressions of Beijing:



### Traffic

**Observation:** The designated Olympic-traffic lanes, which ordinary Beijing drivers actually respect and stay out of.

**Chicago's challenge:** A little education program may be needed in Chicago, Ryan acknowledged.

### Volunteers

**Observation:** The 100,000-strong legion of volunteers, who as a group are helpful to a fault.

**Challenge:** "If you have a question and they don't know the answer, they get someone else right away," Ryan said. "There is no shrug of the shoulders, or saying, 'I can't help.'"

### Transport

**Observation:** The sleek new subway lines, with stations that resemble mini-airport terminals and wide-bodied train cars that zip along quietly.

**Challenge:** "We have a really good rail system, but we need to invest capital in equipment to improve operations," Ryan said. "We need to thoroughly vet our transportation plan" to make sure it works not only for Olympics traffic, but for regular commuters as well.

### Venues

**Observation:** The sheer scale of the Olympic venues, which as a collection look like McCormick Place experienced multiple births, producing some extraordinary and colossal children.

**Challenge:** Chicago's game plan will be much more modest, Daley pointed out, given the city's existing inventory of venues. For the Beijing Games, essentially the Chinese "are building United Center, they're building Wrigley."

### Residents

**Observation:** The importance of involving vast numbers of local residents, as Beijing did so dramatically in its opening ceremony.

**Challenge:** Toward that end, Chicago's bid plans to call for "live sites," places in the city where huge video screens would broadcast Olympic activities as they happen.



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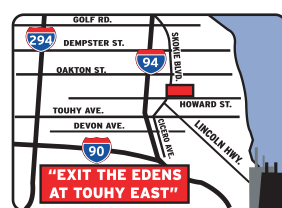
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# Cops alert residents to fire

## 3 held in drug case

Three men were held on \$1 million bail Monday in connection with a Melrose Park bust that netted cocaine valued at about \$25 million, Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart said. Jose Reyes, 49; Cosme Ruano-Reyes, 36; and Javier Huerta, 47, of El Paso, Texas, were charged with possession of a controlled substance over 900 grams during a hearing in Maywood.

## Judge delays O'Hare-area razings

The demolition of more than 500 Bensenville properties to make room for a new O'Hare runway was delayed at least 30 days Monday by a DuPage judge, who warned Chicago officials not to touch the sites.

After ruling last week that Chicago could begin razing the properties, Circuit Judge Kenneth Popejoy said Monday he was issuing the order to allow attorneys for Bensenville to file an appeal of his ruling with the 2nd District Illinois Appellate Court.

## U. of C. nets \$2.38 billion

After drawing donations as large as \$100 million and as small as a few dollars that added up to \$2.38 billion, University of Chicago officials on Monday announced the conclusion of the school's massive fundraising campaign.

The campaign, which sought to raise \$2 billion over five years, was expected to end last year but was extended to meet the goal. The Hyde Park university is the seventh school nationwide to raise at least \$2 billion during a capital campaign.

## Fire engulfs powerboat at Diversey Harbor

A powerboat caught fire Monday afternoon while being launched at Diversey Harbor on the North Side, but no injuries were reported, authorities said. The 19-foot boat had just been launched off a ramp about 1:45 p.m. when it caught fire, Fire Department spokesman Rich Rosado said. The boat was quickly engulfed in flames. Fire crews used two lines to pour water on the boat, which was "burned down to the waterline," Rosado said.

## Pay raise may be up for vote

With lawmakers returning to Springfield this week, Illinois Senate President Emil Jones said on Monday he is considering placing a controversial pay raise for legislators up for a vote. The House already has voted against the pay hikes, which would be worth 7.5 percent by next summer. Under the state's system, the lawmakers' raises take effect automatically unless both chambers vote them down. A majority of the Senate has sponsored a resolution to kill the pay raises, but the issue has yet to be called for a vote.

Two alert Chicago police officers prevented a tragedy early Monday when they spied smoke and flames in Pilsen and helped dozens of residents vacate three buildings that eventually were consumed by fire, officials said.

Five people were sent to hospitals with smoke inhalation. None of the injuries was thought to be life-threatening.

A firefighter was treated at a hospital and released after slipping and falling at the blaze, fire officials said.

But officials said it could have been far worse.

"They risk[ed] their own lives to save them," said Monroe District Lt. Deborah Izzo, referring to Officers Laura Agin and Michael Daliege, who saw the fire in the 1500 block of West 18th Street shortly before 1:40 a.m. and immediately ran into one of the buildings and began rousing residents.

Agin and Daliege, who were treated on the scene for smoke inhalation, described the scene as "scary" and described their own life-saving actions as "automatic."

Other Chicago police officers arrived soon afterward to assist in the evacuations. Two other nearby buildings were evacuated but did not catch fire, officials said.

Fire Commissioner John Brooks said about 30 residents in the three burning buildings at 1504, 1508 and 1510 W. 18th



Firefighters battle an early-morning fire Monday in the 1500 block of West 18th Street in Pilsen. The fire sent five people to the hospital. E. JASON WAMBGANS/TRIBUNE

were displaced. Representatives of the city's Department of Human Services and American Red Cross of Greater Chicago were on hand to help them find temporary housing.

Scores of firefighters attacked the rapidly spreading fire, which quickly was elevated to three-alarm status. The fire was brought under control shortly before 4 a.m., but firefighters remained on the scene as of

## What happened?

The cause of a blaze in Pilsen was under investigation Monday. The burning brick buildings in the 1500 block of West 18th Street ranged in size from 2½ to 3 stories.

7:15 a.m. putting water on small flames. A Fire Department spokesman said the roof of one of the burning buildings collapsed.

## Ministers back school boycott

Nearly 50 ministers on Monday embraced plans to boycott at least the first day of Chicago Public Schools, a move aimed at ramping up pressure on state officials to address widespread inequities in education funding.

The church leaders from the city's West and South Sides pledged their support as lawmakers return to Springfield on Tuesday to meet in a special session. Gov. Blagojevich called to consider the funding issue that has vexed lawmakers for decades.

Gathering outside Marshall High School on Chicago's West Side, the ministers said they would urge their congregations and communities to participate in the first-day boycott on Sept. 2 and attempt to enroll Chicago students in the north suburban New Trier Township High School

District in Winnetka.

"We refuse to continue to allow the state of Illinois to orphan our educational system," said Rev. Albert Tyson of St. Stephen AME Church.

No one expects a resolution in Springfield this week, including Blagojevich, who for the first time on Monday publicly doubted reform legislation would pass quickly.

Blagojevich said he hoped progress could be made as soon as this fall, but he made it clear he disagreed with Meeks' call for a boycott.

"It's counterproductive to urge kids not to attend school," Blagojevich said at a separate event. "If a child misses a day of school, that child will miss an opportunity to learn. I think children should take advantage of every possible day they can to go to school."

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## City gets \$2M to fight gangs

Calling street gangs a scourge that has driven up the number of homicides and other violent crimes in the city, officials on Monday announced that at least \$2 million in federal anti-gang funds has been pledged to organizations in Chicago.

Local groups will have the chance to apply for grants through the U.S. Attorney's office here, Deputy Atty. Gen. Mark Filip and Chicago's U.S. Atty. Patrick Fitzgerald said.

"In cities and towns throughout the country, neighborhoods have been plagued by gang assaults, robberies and shootings, often associated with narcotics trafficking," said Filip, a former federal judge in Chicago. "These crimes can be committed for money, for revenge or to control gang turf."

Chicago will be the 11th city to receive funds from the Justice Department's Comprehensive Anti-Gang Initiative since 2006. The money will go toward prevention, law enforcement and prisoner re-entry programs that provide job training and placement, Filip said.





## 1 Montreal riot

Rioting broke out late Sunday in a Montreal neighborhood where a young man was shot to death by police over the weekend. A police officer was shot in the leg, stores were looted and firefighters were pelted with beer bottles. GETTY IMAGES

## 2 Police standoff

A suspect was shot to death and a sheriff's deputy was injured Monday after an hour-long standoff near an elementary school in Lula, Ga., authorities said.

## 3 Money!

Police in Monterey Park, Calif., say motorists stopped in speeding traffic to gather up bills Sunday after a man on a Harley-Davidson motorcycle dropped a bag of cash. No word on why a guy on a motorcycle was carrying a bag of money.

## 4 What are you doing?

A Swedish neurosurgeon at a Stockholm hospital says a nurse could lose her job after posting photos of surgeries on Facebook. The chief of neurosurgery at the hospital says the woman added 14 photos from a brain surgery and a back operation.

## 5 All Out Of Love

A Ramallah, West Bank, radio station that sought to bring Israelis and Palestinians together with easy-listening rock music from artists such as Air Supply and Michael Bolton has gone of the air because of a lack of funding.

## Fat and healthy?

A new study suggests that a surprising number of overweight people—about half—have normal blood pressure and cholesterol levels, while an equally startling number of trim people suffer from some of the ills associated with obesity.

## Credit crisis

More banks are tightening lending standards on home mortgages and other consumer and business loans as a deepening credit crisis exerts a heavier toll on the economy, the Federal Reserve said Monday.

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The number of new high-speed Internet subscribers in the U.S. added by the nation's 20 largest cable and telephone companies. This was the lowest level since a research company began tracking the broadband market seven years ago.

# Dems urging unity, change

**6 DENVER** Looking for clues on Barack Obama's pick for a running mate? Consider the Democratic convention's theme for the night the vice presidential candidate speaks: national security.

Political tea leaf readers would argue that bodes well for Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Joe Biden (D-Del.); Republican Sen. Chuck Hagel of Nebraska and Democratic Sen. Jack Reed of Rhode Island, who accompanied Obama on his trip to Iraq and Afghanistan; and Sam Nunn, former Georgia senator and one-time Armed Services Committee chairman.

Here's a look at what's planned for the rest of the convention.



**Aug. 25**

(opening night)

**Theme:** "One Nation"

**Speaker:** Michelle Obama



**Aug. 26**

**Theme:** "Renewing America's Promise"

**Speaker:** Sen. Hillary Clinton



**Aug. 27**

**Theme:** "Securing America's Future"

**Speaker:** Obama's still-unannounced vice presidential candidate



**Aug. 28**

**Theme:** "Change You Can Believe In"

**Speaker:** Obama, who will be formally accepting the nomination at the Denver Broncos' stadium



## Survivors: Bus slipped on wet road

**7 SOUTHAVEN, Miss.** Survivors of a casino bus crash in Mississippi described the frightening feeling of the vehicle sliding sideways down a wet highway before it rolled over in a tangle of twisted seats, luggage and injured passengers.

Three South Carolina women died in the Sunday wreck and dozens of the passengers were hospitalized. Six people remained hospitalized Monday.

The Harrah's Tunica bus was going to the airport for a chartered flight to South Carolina when it flipped over a median in Tunica, a city with several casinos along the Mississippi River.

Authorities were still trying to find out what caused the crash.



## Grief in Georgia

**8** A Georgian woman cries Monday in the town of Gori, Georgia, just outside the break-away province of South Ossetia. Russia warned that its troops will cross into the Georgian-controlled territory if Georgian troops in the area refuse to disarm.

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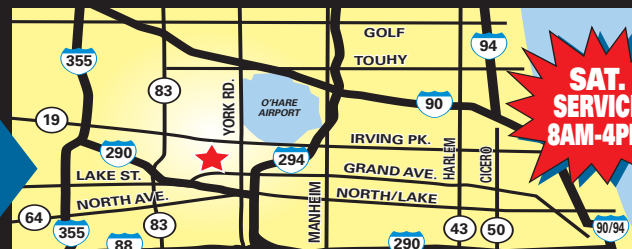
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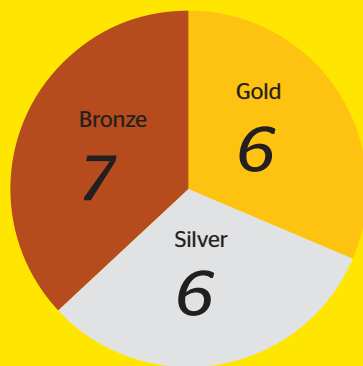
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## MEDAL STAND

Total medals through late Monday (Chicago time)	Gold medals through late Sunday
<b>1. U.S.</b> 19	<b>1. China</b> 9
<b>2. China</b> 14	<b>2. S. Korea</b> 4
<b>3. S. Korea</b> 9	<b>3. U.S.</b> 3

## AMERICAN PIE

A breakdown of the medals won by the U.S. Olympic team



## MEDAL HEADS

**Natalie Coughlin**



The American won the Olympic 100-meter backstroke, becoming the first woman to ever defend her title in the event. Coughlin finished in 58.96 seconds, briefly going under world-record pace at the 50. World record-holder Kirsty Coventry of Zimbabwe earned the silver in 59.19. American Margaret Hoelzer took the bronze in 59.34

**Rebecca Soni**



She took the silver (1 minute, 6.73 seconds) in the women's 100-meter breaststroke, behind Australian Leisel Jones of Australia gold medal finish in 1:05.17

**Christine Magnuson**



Tinley Park's Magnuson claimed the silver medal in the women's 100-meter butterfly with a time of 57.10 seconds.

## BEST OF TV

Tuesday's schedule

**7-8:45 a.m.**—USA—Next up for the U.S. men's basketball team is Angola. Remember when '92 Dream Teamer Charles Barkley elbowed threw a 170-pound Angolan forward in the chest? Yeah, like that.

**9-10 p.m.**—NBC—Michael Phelps swims the men's 200 butterfly at 10:21 a.m. Beijing time on Wednesday.

**10-11 p.m.**—NBC—It's the ever-popular women's gymnastics, but the U.S. is lacking in depth because of injuries. **TRIBUNE**



# Lake Forest backstroker thrilled with 2nd

## Chicago Tribune

**BEIJING** Matt Grevers got exactly what he hoped for Tuesday.

A silver medal behind the man he called the greatest backstroker of all time, hands down: Aaron Peirsol.

"And I think he is going to keep getting better," Grevers said.

Peirsol won his second straight Olympic gold in the 100 meters with a world-record 52.54 seconds, .35 under the mark he had established last month at the U.S. trials. Lake Forest's Grevers was second in 53.11.

"I feel like it's gold after Peirsol," Grevers said. "A lot of people in the race knew he was not exactly toying around with us the first two swims but saving energy and being a smart racer."

"Everyone knew he was capable of 52-middle. So really the race was for second, and going into it I knew that. So I got what I hoped for, so I'm very happy."

When the backstroke ended, Peirsol held up one finger as he looked toward Grevers,

who responded by holding up two fingers.

"[Peirsol] absolutely is the best backstroker ever," Grevers said. "He's a great guy too. He does consider me competition, but in a friendly way."

"He gave me a private lesson during our training trip [to Singapore], and I learned how he swims it. I don't have the shoulder strength to do exactly what he does and the amount of water he's able to pull."

Peirsol has been the world's dominant backstroker since 2003. He won Olympic gold at both distances in 2004 and won the 100 at the last three biennial world championships.

During that period, Grevers was winning NCAA backstroke titles for Northwestern but, prior to this year, he never made a U.S. team for a major international event in a 50-meter (Olympic-length) pool.

Yet Grevers turned down the opportunity to swim for his parents' native country, the Netherlands, preferring to face the task to battling his way onto a U.S. Olympic team

rather than cruise onto the Dutch team with a virtual bye.

The 6-foot-8 Grevers' career took off after college, when he moved to Arizona to work with Frank Busch and Rick DeMont. The backstroke actually was his less-favored event. Until making the U.S. Olympic team in the 100 back, Grevers saw himself as a freestyler.

"I don't know what happened there," Grevers said. "There is some magic in the Arizona water, and I guess I became a backstroker somehow."

"I haven't really been training [it]. Beats me."

He swam a leg of the 400-meter freestyle relay in the Sunday heats and wound up with a gold medal—but not on the awards stand—when Jason Lezak's otherworldly anchor leg Monday rallied the team to a victory over France. In a selection system that often causes controversy, Grevers made the U.S. coaches' task easier by willingly giving up his spot in the final.





**Aaron Peirsol (left) and Matt Grevers celebrate their medals.**  
AP PHOTO



**Sylvia Fowles**  
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## Sylvia Fowles makes mark for U.S. against China

Sylvia Fowles has been making headlines for the U.S. women's basketball team. The rookie 6-foot-6 center had another breakout performance in a 108-63 rout of China on Monday night, coming off the bench to score 18 points on 7-of-11 shooting. That came on the heels of a 16-point, 14-rebound night in the U.S. opener against Czech Republic. **MCT**



**Michael Phelps celebrates his win Monday.** AP PHOTO

## In a world (record) of his own Phelps' 3rd gold sets new mark

Michael Phelps won his third gold medal and record-tying ninth of his career Tuesday, breaking his own world record in the 200-meter freestyle at the Beijing Olympics.

The American touched in 1 minute, 42.96 seconds, lowering his old mark of 1:43.86 set at last year's world championships in Australia.

He cruised to the wall nearly 2 seconds ahead of silver medalist Park Tae-hwan of South Korea, who finished in 1:44.85. American Peter Vanderkaay earned the bronze in 1:45.14.

Phelps' ninth gold medal tied him with four others, including Mark Spitz and track star Carl Lewis, for most career golds.

He is 3-for-3, with three world records, in his attempt to break Spitz's 36-year-old record of seven golds in a single games. Spitz set world records in each of his races at the 1972 Munich Olympics.

Phelps' other victories were in the 400 individual medley and 400 freestyle relay.

In the men's 100-meter backstroke, Aaron Peirsol defended his title with a world-record time and Lake Forest's Matt Grevers earned the silver in 53.11. **AP**

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### 1 Yeah, well, try this

Sure, that Michael Phelps is a good swimmer. But let's see how he does against me in the doggie paddle.

### 2 Someone hold me

I've never been so disappointed. Yes, it's true the U.S. men's archery team lost in the round of 16 Monday. Like a dagger—err, arrow—to the heart, I tell ya.

### 3 Bowling for baseball

Lemme get this straight, the Olympics have dropped baseball and softball but kept Ping-Pong? Fail.

### 4 Truer words ...

Former Bears receiver Muhsin Muhammad said Chicago is where "receivers go to die." For Muhsin, of course, it was where he went to get a big paycheck.

### 5 Tank misfires

Another ex-Bear, Tank Johnson, called Rex Grossman "brittle" and "soft." Compared with the guy who lived with pitbulls and was arrested on charges of possessing unlicensed guns, Grossman probably is soft.

### 6 Ghost of Favre

The Packers' Aaron Rodgers threw an interception Monday against Cincinnati, and you can bet any amount of money someone in the crowd yelled, "Bring back Favre!"

### 7 It was me

OK, I confess. I said it. But I wasn't the only one.

### 8 Do not adjust your set

I still can't get use to seeing Ken Griffey Jr. in a White Sox uniform. Apparently he can't either, because he's swinging the bat like a Ken doll.

### 9 Hot ticket

The Blackhawks have experienced a 300 percent increase in ticket sales from the same time last year. It couldn't be hard when you're starting off in single digits. I kid, I kid.

### FIVE SPORTS

... that should be added to the Olympics.

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- » NASCAR
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Meet "The Mole." His identity is a secret, partly because of the stuff he knows, but mostly because he's not likable. Comments? Visit [redeye.chicago.com/fiveonfive](http://redeye.chicago.com/fiveonfive).



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<b>1</b> Predict the next big thing to happen in the Olympics?	Michael Phelps. Any-day now.	I don't do predictions. I deal in facts. My sources say USA basketball wins silver.	Russia will overtake the medal lead by invading both the U.S. and China.	I'll actually watch them.	Bizarre, unprecedented, once-in-a-lifetime Olympic moment: Me actually watching the Olympics.
<b>2</b> What's your favorite name from the Olympics and why?	Prapawadee Jaroenrattanakoon won a gold medal in the "jerk" category. Jerk.	Jason Lezak. Instant classic in swimming's 400 freestyle relay.	Beach volleyballer Phil Dalhausser, because "Doll houser" reminds me of Rahula.	Italian fencer Margherita Granbassi. Contains a naughty word for "butt."	Ling-Ling and Hsing-Hsing, the pandas, one of which is dead. I'm assuming panda watching is still an Olympic Sport.
<b>3</b> What do you think of Bruce Springsteen as the Super Bowl XLIII halftime performer?	Sorry, Bruce. Tampa already has a Jersey-esque touch: Florida State fans.	Too old. They should have gone with David Cook. I put a call in, but ... whatever.	Love it. Tom Petty was waaaaaaay too peppy last season.	I'm excited to watch clueless jingoists think "Born in the U.S.A." is a patriotic song.	It would be awesome if Courteney Cox could join him on stage like in the 1984 video—geez, I'm old.
<b>4</b> After last week's brawl, the Sox play the Royals again. Help smooth things over.	No, I won't touch anyone from Missouri. Stop looking at me, Rush Limbaugh, I'm not a pill.	Ain't gonna happen. I hear Ozzie has something big cooked up.	So ... you're saying I shouldn't yell, "SAY HELLO TO MY LITTLE FRIEND"?	Why? Giant brawls are the only way to spice up a Royals game.	Come on, Royals—it's not worth risking injury for a team that will never compete.
<b>5</b> The startup United Football League thinks it can sign Michael Vick. Your thoughts?	If the league is pro-felons and anti-Dawgs, what's Georgia going to do?	Sure, they can sign him—if they can break him out of jail.	He refuses to play for anything less than a three-shiv signing bonus.	They're starting up in 5 to 7 years, maybe three with good behavior?	Definitely. Makes you wonder why prisons aren't recruited more heavily—gotta be some other hidden gems in there.

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**Up next at Atlanta**

**Tuesday: 6 p.m., WGN-Ch. 9**  
RH Rich Harden (1-1, 2.10) vs.  
RH Charlie Morton (3-5, 5.70)

**Wednesday: 6 p.m., CSN Plus, CLTV**  
RH Jason Marquis (7-7, 4.73) vs.  
RH Jorge Campillo (7-4, 2.83)

**Thursday: 6 p.m., CSN**  
LH Ted Lilly (11-6, 4.26) vs.  
LH Tom Glavine (2-3, 4.85)



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Even 5<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> perfect innings and a no-hit bid that John Danks carried into the seventh wasn't enough Monday night, as the White Sox teased themselves with wasted opportunities in a 5-1 loss to Boston. The loss dropped the Sox (65-52) a half-game behind Minnesota in the AL Central.

>> Sox pitcher Jose Contreras had surgery to repair a ruptured left Achilles' tendon on Monday and is expected to miss at least nine months.

**Up next vs. Kansas City**

**Tuesday: 7:11 p.m., CSN**  
RH Brian Bannister (7-10, 5.37) vs.  
RH Javier Vazquez (8-10, 4.74)

**Wednesday: 7:11 p.m., CSN**  
RH Luke Hochevar (5-10, 5.54) vs.  
LH Mark Buehrle (9-10, 3.94)

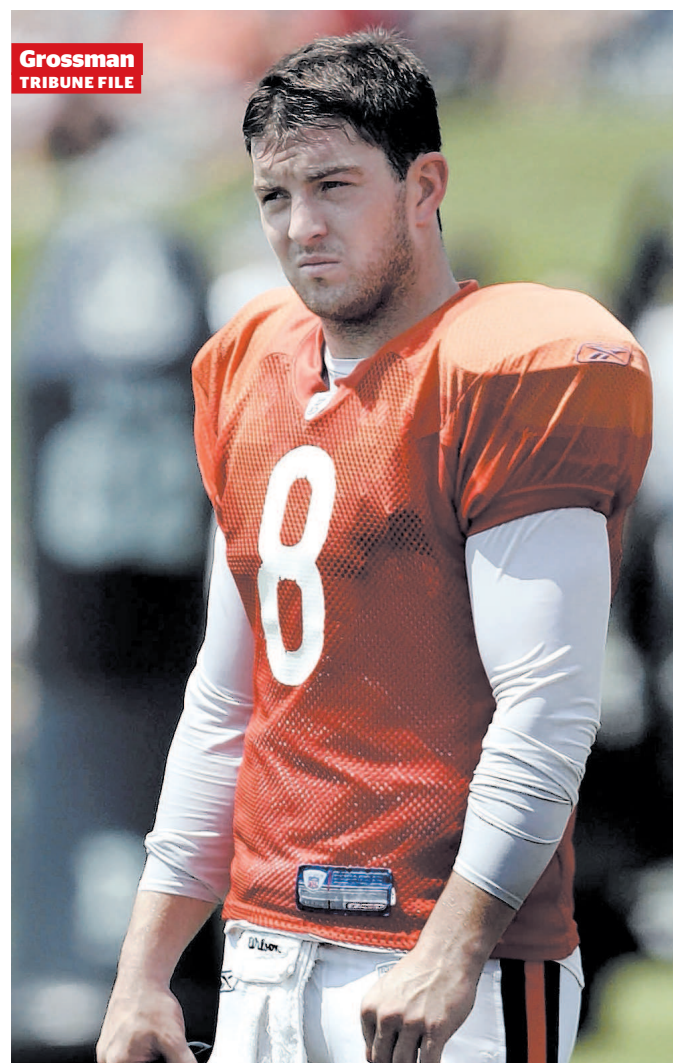
**Thursday: 1:05 p.m., CSN**  
RH Kyle Davies (5-3, 4.46) vs.  
undecided



The Blackhawks sold 57,000 single-game tickets Monday, and with their increasing season-ticket base have sold more than 500,000 tickets for the upcoming season, an increase of more than 300 percent from this time last year.

# 'Where receivers go to die'

## Moose, Tank slam Bears quarterbacks



Grossman  
TRIBUNE FILE

A pair of former Bears have blasted the team's passing game and quarterback Rex Grossman, but that didn't worry the team's coaching staff or players on Monday.

Former Bears wide receiver Muhsin Muhammad's assessment of the Bears? He told Sports Illustrated: "It's where receivers go to die." And former Bears defensive tackle Tank Johnson told CBS' **sportsline.com** that Grossman was "brittle" and "soft."

Grossman, who is battling Kyle Orton for the Bears' starting quarterback spot, had little to say about it. "I don't pay attention to any of that," he said.

Asked why his former teammates would say these things, Grossman added, "I'm not sure. I think they've got their own reasons why they need to talk about things."

In practice Monday, Grossman and Orton did little to avoid continued scrutiny.

Orton was picked off by linebacker Joey LaRocque and Grossman fumbled a snap.

Muhammad, 35, returned to play for the Carolina Panthers after being cut by the Bears following one of his least productive seasons. Johnson joined the Dallas Cowboys for the second half of last season after serving an eight-game NFL suspension for violating probation on a gun charge.

Bears offensive coordinator Ron Turner noted the insult.

"To be honest that's the first time I ever heard that from either of those guys, but any time anybody says something about guys on this team you take offense to it," he said.

Grossman is set to start Saturday in Seattle, and it's possible a regular-season starter could be announced next week.

"We haven't put a timetable on it," Turner said. "But we know we need to make a decision so we can start getting the timing and everything else going."

### BEARS HITS

>> Comcast SportsNet will air a one-hour special at 7 p.m. Saturday on the Bears' '08 draft picks.  
>> Starting SS Brandon McGowan went out with an ankle sprain and LB Jamar Williams missed practice with a slight hamstring pull.

### SPORTS BRIEFS

#### Vick in football? '98 percent'

In his Monday Morning quarterback entry, Peter King of **si.com** explored the possibility of imprisoned Falcons QB Michael Vick returning to football in 2009—in the United Football League. Michael Huyghue, commissioner of the United Football League, told King the chances of a UFL team signing Michael Vick to play the '09 season are "98 percent."

#### Sheffield unhappy in Detroit

Gary Sheffield and Jim Leyland might just have to agree to disagree. Sheffield wants to play every day and the nine-time All-Star refuses to accept that he's only a designated hitter for the Detroit Tigers. Leyland said he's "flabbergasted" by Sheffield's comments, which were published in a Boston Globe story, because shoulder injuries have limited his playing time and accepting his role was a condition of being acquired.

#### AND FINALLY ...

>> The Oakland Raiders signed former Bear Adam Archuleta.  
>> Atlanta Braves announcer Skip Caray was remembered in a two-hour memorial service on Monday  
>> Harold Reynolds will be in the broadcast booth when **mlb.com** offers live video streaming at the inaugural National Youth Baseball Championships, a four-day event that ends Aug. 24.

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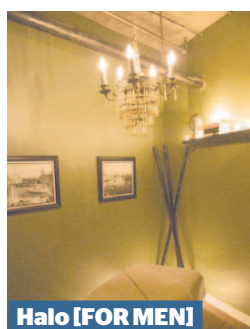
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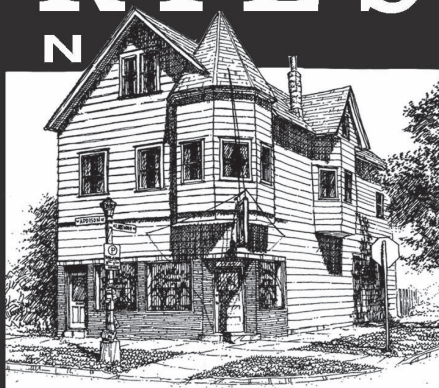
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## Conor Oberst goes solo-ish again on CD

### New York Times News Service

What happened to Bright Eyes? For the last decade the songwriter Conor Oberst has released the vast majority of his songs as Bright Eyes, working under that name with groups small and large.

But on Tuesday, Oberst released an album under his own name, titled "Conor Oberst," the way many songwriters have signaled a new start. Over lunch, Oberst said it's not as weighty as all that.

Oberst, 28, had a batch of songs and a plan: to simplify. Bright Eyes' most recent album, "Cassadaga," was a painstaking, sprawling project, wrapping elaborate orchestral arrangements around Oberst's songs about breakups, rehab, spiritual quests and life as a professional musician.

For his new album Oberst decided to set limits: a few musicians, a short time.

"A lot of what happens is, for me anyway, a reaction to what came before," he said. "I really wanted to hear space in this music and not have it become too bloated with instrumentation, and to keep the essence of the song."

He's not striving for a hit single; his goals, he said, are "freedom and longevity." The hit, like Neil Young's "Heart of Gold," might turn up sooner or later.

"I'm pretty happy with the level at this point," he said. "My friends that are in the next tier of celebrity, what they have to deal with—it doesn't look like any fun at all."

Oberst has a year of work lined up without Bright Eyes. He has started

### END OF BRIGHT EYES?

Since Mike Mogis, whose instruments and production have increasingly defined the sound of Bright Eyes, didn't perform on "Conor Oberst," Oberst decided to make it a solo CD. There's no rift in Bright Eyes; Mogis mixed "Conor Oberst," and the other full member of Bright Eyes, Nate Walcott, plays keyboards on it. **NEW YORK TIMES NEWS SERVICE**

a tour with the Mystic Valley Band—the musicians from the new album. He's also working on an album with M. Ward, the guitarist who has collaborated widely in indie rock, and Jim James, the singer and leader of My Morning Jacket.

Recording sessions are planned for the studio in Omaha and for Shangri-La Studios in Malibu, Calif., where Young and the Band made albums.

Conor Oberst of Bright Eyes.

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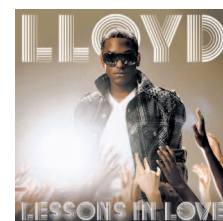
### SNAP JUDGMENTS In stores now.

#### Lloyd

#### "Lessons In Love"

!!! Lloyd already has established himself as a successful crooner: He's teamed with Ashanti for a duet and had a hit with Lil Wayne. Lloyd makes a valiant effort to keep up the momentum on "Lessons In Love," but he lacks the magic found on his past albums. Lloyd rides solo for most of the album, except for his first single on which he reteams with Lil Wayne on the catchy "Girls Around The World." Lloyd tries to come into his own on smooth ballads like "Year of the Lover" and "I Can Change Your Life."

JONATHAN LANDRUM JR., AP



### SINGLED OUT Songs to keep an ear out for.

#### !!! Scars on Broadway "They Say"

This System of a Down side project features singer-guitarist Darin Malakian, drummer John Dolmayan and a host of hairy hellraisers whose main objective is to either (1) summon the apocalypse or (2) stave off oblivion. System frontman Serj Tankian is given credit for that band's wild sound. But while he may bring the weirdness, we now know the power source. With its switchblade licks and strutting doomsaying, the slugging "They Say" sounds like end-credit music for an end-of-the-world flick. **SEAN DALY, ST. PETERSBURG TIMES**

### CD RACK Also due in stores Tuesday

#### » The Airborne Toxic Event, "The Airborne Toxic Event"

#### » Keith Anderson, "C'mon"

#### » Brazilian Girls, "New York City"

#### » The Faint, "Fascination"

#### » Hawthorne Heights, "Fragile Future"

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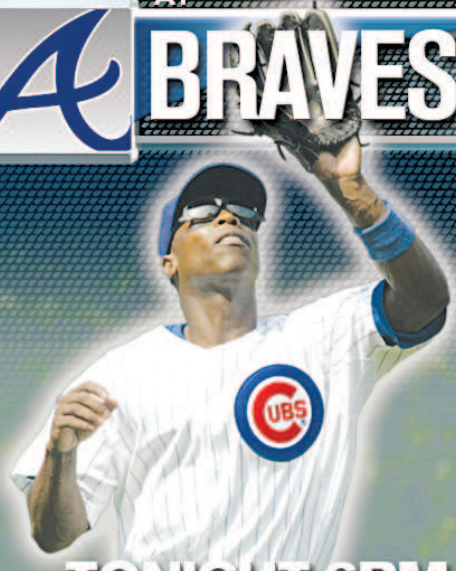







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## Metromix's top shows



**Paramore** (above)  
Saving pop-punk one riff at a time. With Jack's Mannequin, Phantom Planet, Paper Route.  
5 p.m. \$27.50-\$30. Congress Theater, 2135 N. Milwaukee Ave. 888-512-7469.

**Andrew Ripp**  
Bar music, in the best sense. With Brian Vander Ark.  
9 p.m. \$15. Duffy's Tavern and Grill, 420 W. Diversey Pkwy. 773-549-9090.

**Apache**  
Shiny punk to make you sweat and smile. With Electric Shadows.  
9:30 p.m. \$7. Empty Bottle, 1035 N. Western Ave. 773-276-3600.

**ALFONSO PONTICELLI AND SWING GITAN**  
9 p.m. Free. Quenchers Saloon, 2401 N. Western Ave. 773-276-9730.

**ALISON RUBLE QUARTET**  
5 p.m. \$5. Andy's Jazz Club, 11 E. Hubbard St. 312-642-6805.

**BETHANY PICKENS (TUESDAYS ON THE TERRACE)**  
5:30 p.m. Free. Museum of Contemporary Art, 220 E. Chicago Ave. 312-397-4010.

**CARIBICA**  
8 p.m. Free. Cafe Laguardia, 2111 W. Armitage Ave. 773-867-5996.

**CELTIC MUSIC SEISIUN**  
7 p.m. Free. The Celtic Knot Public House, 626 Church St., Evanston. 847-864-1679.

**CHARLIE LOVE BLUES BAND WITH NELLIE TRAVIS**  
9 p.m. \$8. Blue Chicago at Ohio, 536 N. Clark St. 312-661-0100.

**CHICAGO TRIO**  
8:30 p.m. Cover varies. The Velvet Lounge, 67 E. Cermak Rd. 312-791-9050.

**COOK COUNTRY REVELERS**  
6:30 p.m. Free. Welles Park, 2333 W. Sunnyside Ave. 312-742-7511.

**COUNT BRENT AND THE MAESTROS, SAMANTHA SAMANTHA, RED CITY, SWEET REVENGE**  
8:30 p.m. \$7. Elbo Room, 2871 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-549-5549.

**DEE ALEXANDER QUARTET**  
8 and 10 p.m. \$10. Jazz Showcase, 806 S. Plymouth Ct. 312-360-0234.

**DEEP BLUE ORGAN TRIO**  
9 p.m. \$6. The Green Mill, 4802 N. Broadway. 773-878-5552.

**DEVIL IN A WOODPILE**  
9:30 p.m. Free. Hideout, 1354 W. Wabansia Ave. 773-227-4433.

**EGYPT CENTRAL, BLACKBOX, ILLUSION'S FATE**  
9 p.m. \$10-\$12. Abbey Pub, 3420 W. Grace St. 773-478-4408.

**ESSENZA, DREAMEND, NOUNS**  
9 p.m. \$7. Subterranean, 2011 W. North Ave. housecallent.com

**JIMBO DELTA**  
8:30 p.m. Free. Harlem Avenue Lounge, 3701 Harlem Ave., Berwyn. 708-484-3610.

**JOE BARR, JOANNA CONNOR**  
9:30 p.m. \$12. Kingston Mines, 2548 N. Halsted St. 773-477-4646.

**JOE PURDY, MEIKO, JAY NASH, CHRIS SEEFRIED**  
7 p.m. Sold out. Schubas, 3159 N. Southport Ave. 773-525-2508.

**JOHN ZAMOJCIN**  
8 p.m. Free. Redhead Piano Bar, 16 W. Ontario St. 312-640-1000.

**JORDAN BASKIN TRIO WITH DR. ODIES WILLIAMS**  
9 p.m. \$10. Andy's Jazz Club, 11 E. Hubbard St. 312-642-6805.

**LUKE PYTEL BAND, LUBRIPHONIC**  
9:30 p.m. \$7. B.L.U.E.S., 2519 N. Halsted St. 773-528-1012.

**MATTHEW SKOLLER**  
9:30 p.m. \$10. Buddy Guy's Legends, 754 S. Wabash Ave. 312-427-0333.

**MR. BLOTTO, BILL SMITH**  
8 p.m. \$5. Reggie's Music Joint, 2105 S. State St. 312-949-0120.

**NICHOLAS BARRON**  
8 p.m. Free. Morseland, 1218 W. Morse Ave. 773-764-8900.

**PETE GALANIS BAND WITH MARTY SAMMON**  
9:30 p.m. \$7. Rosa's Lounge, 3420 W. Armitage Ave. 773-342-0452.

**PETRA VAN NUIS TRIO**  
9 p.m. Free. Pops for Champagne, 601 N. State St. 312-266-7677.

**SEXFIST**  
9 p.m. Free. Red Line Tap, 7006 N. Glenwood Ave. 773-274-5463.

**TED NUGENT**  
7:30 p.m. \$48-\$63. Genesee Theatre, 203 N. Genesee St., Waukegan. 312-559-1212.

**TIN LYNOTT**  
8 p.m. Free. Martyrs', 3855 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-404-9869.

**ZACK HEXUM, AUDREY RYAN**  
8 p.m. Tips/donations. Uncommon Ground on Clark, 3800 N. Clark St. 773-929-3680.

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9 p.m. \$5-\$15 suggested donation. Elastic, 2830 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-772-3616.

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## Men buying more fashion

Sales of menswear is on the rise, while women's wear sales is falling.

May 2007-May 2008

**0.8** percentage increase  
in menswear sales  
**3.5** percentage decrease  
in women's wear sales

March 2008-May 2008

**2.3** percent increase in  
menswear sales  
**3.0** percent drop in sales  
of women's wear

## Impact

Men's renewed interest in updating their wardrobe is leading stores to change how they market to men:

- >> Bloomingdale's is rolling out separate areas in the men's department that incorporate tailored clothing with other accessories like ice buckets and gadgets like GPS systems and high-end shaving tools.
- >> Macy's has added more exclusive lines like tight-fitting Emporio Armani underwear.
- >> Dockers is heavily featuring a slim-cut khaki pant as well as a newly unveiled straight cut at department stores this fall alongside its usual relaxed and classic fits, said Alex Guerrero, vice president of men's merchandising.
- >> For fall, Dockers has trimmed down its classic shirts and suit separates. **SOURCES: AP, NPD GROUP**



In June, Macy's unveiled the new New Emporio Armani Underwear Advertising Campaign featuring David Beckham. **GETTY FILE IMAGE**

# Men in tights

## More guys are buying pantyhose. You got a problem with that?

### Cox News Service

Is a superhero in tights fueling a new fashion trend for men? Or is it simply that some males find pantyhose a nice fit?

In this summer of "The Dark Knight" comes a craze for men's hosiery.

Retailers in the U.S. and Europe say men are buying pantyhose—sheer, satin, glossy, opaque or support—in skyrocketing numbers in recent months.

"We aren't sure if it is the Batman effect or what, but sales to men have been going through the roof," said Kieran Hughes, director of Precious Collections, a Britain-based distributor of hosiery products.

At Atlanta-based **luxelegwear.com**, a Web site offering European brands to buyers in America and around the world, about 80 percent of sales are now to men. The company carries 13 styles designed specifically for men.

"Men have begun to dominate the hosiery market once owned by women," said Deborah Ashley, managing director of Luxelegwear, which launched in September 2005.

In the last two months, Hughes said, Precious Collections has seen sales of hose to British men jump from 300 pairs to 1,000 pairs a month.

"With energy prices going up and up I think we're going to see even more men around the world wearing these products," Hughes said.

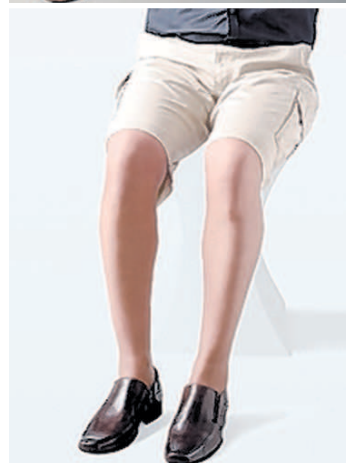
Not everyone is a fan of the trend. Natalie Theo, fashion editor at London's Daily Mail newspaper, said the idea is absolutely ridiculous.

"It's metrosexuality gone stark raving mad," she said.

According to retailers, some males appreciate the added insulation in colder climates. Other customers say hose provide support, stimulate circulation and alleviate muscle fatigue. Still others just like the way tights look and feel against the skin. Tights also help men feel better wearing the slimmer-fitting clothes that are becoming more popular.

Darrell Robinson, general manager of **legwear4men.com**, an online retailer in Liverpool, England, said today's male hosiery is not a fetish garment.

"It has nothing to do with being gender-confused or gay as the bulk of wearers are straight men in long-term relationships," he said.



### Lovin' those hose

Men's hosiery is not designed the same way women's pantyhose is, according to Kieran Hughes, director of Precious Collections, adding "I'm an alpha male who is married with children, and I wear it myself."

### Here's how men's styles differ:

- >> Boasts more room between the legs,
- >> Has a fly in the front,
- >> Is typically longer in the leg and shorter in the waist.

G. Lieberman & Sons of Granville, Ohio, began selling leg wear for men in 1999, with business growing steadily ever since.

Owner Steven Katz said men have gotten over their "women's wear" hang-up and are starting to realize that skin-tight leg wear is a good clothing option for a number of reasons.

"Keep in mind that women who wear hosiery mostly do it for appearance and fashion, whereas most men wear it for comfort and

the benefits it offers, such as warmth, comfort, leg compression and support, protection from chafing and insects, and many other reasons," he said.

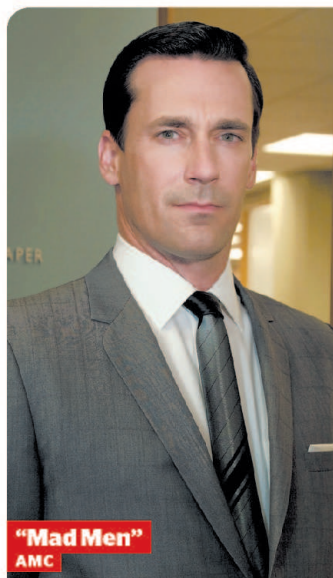
The company currently offers more than 30 styles of leg wear for men with another 12 styles currently in development.

"Most men wear it under trousers, of course," he said. "But more and more are beginning to wear it with shorts."





**Batman in  
"The Dark Knight"**  
WARNER BROS.



**"Mad Men"**  
AMC



# Slim fit, fat sales

'Mad Men'-inspired clothing causes buying boom

## Associated Press

Steve Hale has discovered a reason to splurge on clothing again: the slim silhouette in suits to shirts that's replacing baggier fits. But his wife, Cathy, has slashed her monthly apparel spending, saying she's "bored" by what's out there.

In tough economic times, men are traditionally the first to cut back—but the Hales represent a new phenomenon in retailing: Over the past year, men have been on a clothes-buying spree, while women have pulled back even more.

"I did feel for a long period that there wasn't anything new to buy," said Steve Hale, a 37-year-old financial consultant in New York City. "But I really like the slim fit."

The lopsided fortunes—solid sales gains in menswear and a deepening funk in the far larger women's clothing business—is creating a rare sales disparity that hasn't been seen in years, according to David Wolfe, creative director of The Doneger Group, a buying office.

Fashion observers say the main catalyst fueling menswear buying is slimmed-down styles shown on the runways a few years ago that have recently garnered mass appeal. The look is being popularized by AMC's series "Mad Men."

Over the past year, the fashions, from body-conscious suits to leaner khakis, have been heavily promoted by stores from conservative Brooks Brothers to Macy's and Bloomingdale's.

Executives from those stores said menswear sales began outpacing women's wear last year. They wouldn't give exact figures because of competitive reasons.

But the disparity has been widening, said Marshal Cohen of research company NPD Group. (See sales chart on the far left.)

Fashion pundits like Wolfe hail the trend as the biggest change in men's fashion in more than a decade. Major menswear brands like VF Corp.'s

## 'Meatballs' and all

Slimmer fitting clothes are changing the way men buy clothes and dress. But what about those men who aren't, well, slim? Retail executives insist the new silhouettes aren't just for the skinny. "It still fits guys who eat meatballs," said Stuart Goldblatt, Macy's senior vice president of merchandising for men's and children's clothes. **AP**

Nautica and Levi Strauss and Co.'s Dockers have reworked their fits. Pants, for example, have less material in the seat and thigh and have no pleats; suit jackets have higher armholes with narrower and shorter sleeves.

"Suddenly, a pair of cargo pants and a polo shirt doesn't look good anymore," said Wolfe, who sees the change being embraced by men in their 20s to men over 50 who don't want to look past their prime.

The sluggish economy is playing a role in the changing buying habits. The threat of layoffs has forced many employees to dress more formally as a way to hold on to their jobs and look more serious, Cohen said.

Jonathan Singer, 26, who works in high-tech marketing, credits his new wardrobe to helping him land a better-paying job. The Boston resident spent about \$2,000 over the past six months on a slimmer-fit suit from Benetton as well as slender shirts from Diesel and French Connection. In the past, he had spent about \$300 every six months.

"It always pays to look good," he said. "I had looked in the mirror and never was impressed. I looked like a little kid who was waiting to grow into his clothes."

Now, he says, "I feel extremely confident in the way I look. Everyone has noticed."



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**Reps:** Three sets of 20.



## AROUND THE WORLD

**Muscles trained:** obliques (love handles) and shoulders

>> Sit on the floor with your back against your child's back (knees bent, toes turned up). Twist around right side, give the ball to child. Return and twist left; child gives you the ball.

**Reps:** Three sets of 20.



## CRAB WALK

**Muscles trained:** shoulders/triceps, abdominals and quads

>> Sit on the floor. Place hands behind you with fingers pointed out. Extend legs forward, knees softly bent, feet flat on floor. Lift rear off floor and walk backward using your hands to guide you. Right hand, right foot, left hand, left foot.

**Reps:** Three sets of 20.



## SEESAW

**Muscles trained:** abdominals and lower back

>> Sit on the floor facing child. Your legs should be apart in a straddle position, child's legs inside. Hold child's hands. Child leans back, parent leans forward. Child leans forward, parent leans back.

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The Chicago Public Library celebrates *The Right Stuff* by legendary journalist **Tom Wolfe** as the 15th *One Book, One Chicago* selection!

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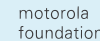
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CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

By: Geoffrey Urban, General Manager, Purchasing August 12, 2008

LEGAL NOTICES

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ# 7495)

COMMUNITY BASED MASTER PLAN FOR A MIXED USE, MIXED INCOME REDEVELOPMENT OF JORDAN DOWNS PUBLIC HOUSING AND ADJACENT AREAS

The Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles is seeking Statements of Qualification from consultants interested in providing Community Master Planning Services for the Jordan Downs public housing redevelopment initiative. Services include but are not limited to neighborhood planning, sustainable urban design and transportation planning. Copies of the RFQ may be obtained beginning August 1, 2008 online at www.hacla.org or by calling (213) 252-5405. Proposals will be accepted until 10:00 A.M., Pacific Time, September 12, 2008.

CNS-1401046# CHICAGO TRIBUNE

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP# 7496)

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CNS-1405345# CHICAGO TRIBUNE

PUBLICATION NOTICE

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While the Defendant denies any wrongdoing, it has agreed to modify its advertising and marketing of its Natural Casing Products and to make financial benefits available to the following persons (the "Settlement Class"): All consumers residing in the United States (including the District of Columbia, territories and possessions) who have consumed and/or purchased any Vienna Beef Natural Casing Products and a) did not know that the casing on the Natural Casing Product consisted of pork/hog or sheep intestine and b) would not have consumed and/or purchased the National Casing Product if they had known the product's casing consisted of pork/hog or sheep intestine.

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OPENING DATE: September 10, 2008

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Whenever Steve Seagal, Wesley Snipes and Jean-Claude Van Damme are around, you can expect plenty of blazing bullets and plenty of flying bodies. They are just three of the stars who headline five action-packed films that Sony is releasing Tuesday in Blu-ray format.

>> **Half Past Dead (2002, \$28.95):** Seagal plays an FBI agent who goes undercover at the newly re-opened Alcatraz, where a group of terrorists parachute to stop the execution of Lester McKenna (Bruce Weitz) and make him tell them where he hid his \$200 million in stolen gold.

>> **7 Seconds (2005, \$28.95):** Snipes stars as former Delta Force commando Jack Tolliver, who leads what is supposed to be a can't-miss armored car heist. Things don't work out quite as planned and he and his crew find themselves taking on some vicious Russian gangsters.

>> **Maximum Risk (1996, \$29.95):** Van Damme plays Alan Moreau, who is investigating the death of his twin brother. Before he finds any answers, Moreau has to deal with Russian mobsters and maverick FBI agents.

>> **xXx: State of the Union (2005, \$28.95):** Ice Cube is Darius Stone, whose love of extreme sports lands him a job as a xXx agent. His adversary? William



Dafoe as Secretary of Defense George Deckert, who is plotting to take over the government.

>> **Felon (2008, \$38.95):** Stefen Dorf plays a man who is sentenced to prison after accidentally killing a burglar breaking into his home. He finds life behind bars brutal especially when is he forced to share a cell with a mass murderer played by Val Kilmer.

DVDS BY DAVID GERMAIN, AP

## Smart People

DVD, \$29.99; BLU-RAY, \$34.99

Though smarter-than-your-average Hollywood comedy, this tale of academia and dysfunction still works only fitfully, despite a top-notch cast. Dennis Quaid plays a curmudgeonly college professor who sustains a head injury that throws him together with a former student turned doctor (Sarah Jessica Parker), while he copes with his shady brother (Thomas Haden Church) and ultraconservative daughter (Ellen Page). The DVD and Blu-ray disc feature nine deleted scenes, cast and crew interviews and commentary.

## CJ7

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Steven Chow, the martial-arts slapstick master of "Kung Fu Hustle," returns with a family-friendly tale utilizing his manic moves. Writer, director and star Chow plays a poor but loving blue-collar dad who stumbles on a strange orb that he presents as a gift to his young boy, the device turning out to be an alien entity that wreaks havoc and teaches

some lessons to both father and son. The DVD and Blu-ray release come with a handful of behind-the-scenes segments, a video game and commentary with the cast and crew.

## TV ON DVD

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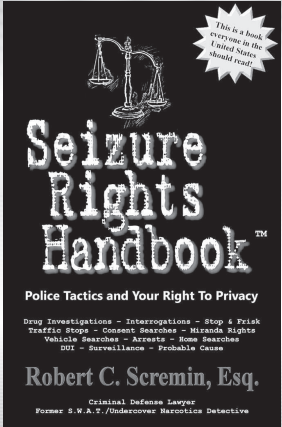
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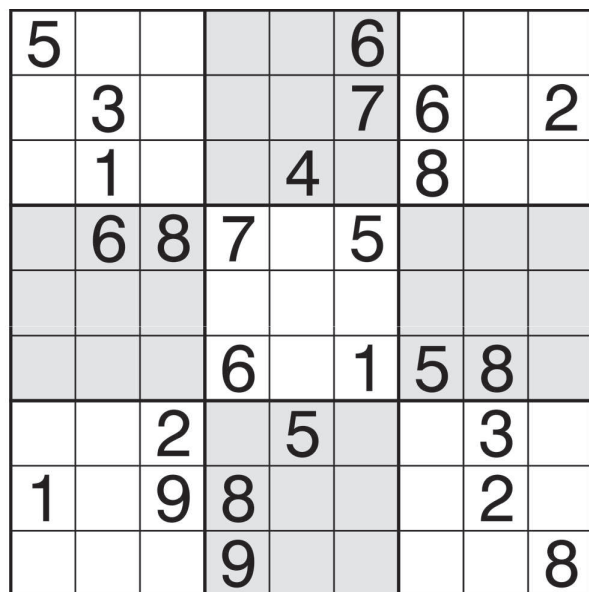
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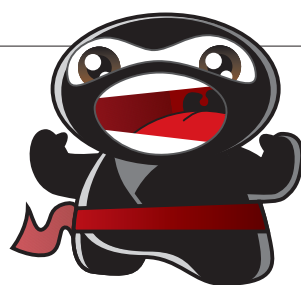
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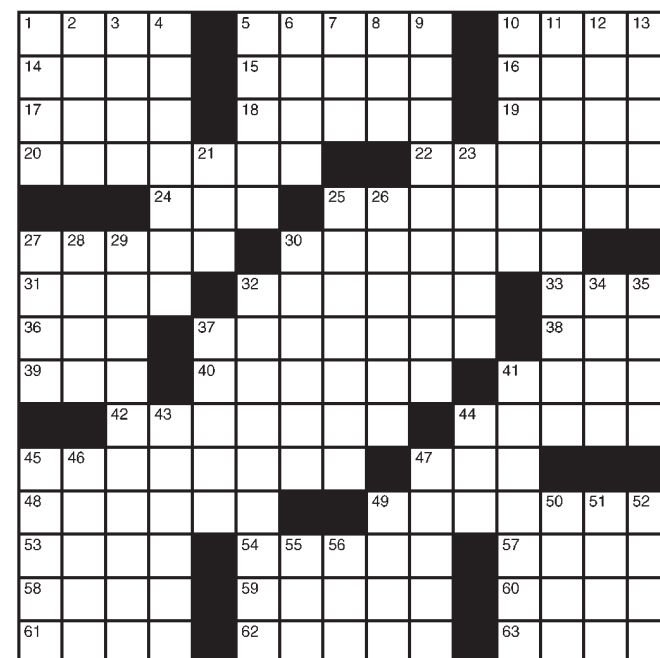
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# mad world

## Does Johnny Depp have the right stuff for 'Alice'?

Johnny Depp might have fallen down the rabbit hole. Rumor has it the star has been mentioned in connection with Tim Burton's reported "Alice in Wonderland" movie project. Entertainment Weekly recently reported on its Web site that Depp could be on board with the project, which is slated for a 2010 release. Whether he'll don the

Mad Hatter's trademark topper, as had been rumored, remains to be seen—neither Disney nor Depp's rep would confirm Entertainment Weekly's report. Still, RedEye couldn't help but look back on Depp's body of work and point out the ways he'd be ideal for a whimsical remake of the fairy tale.



Mad Hatter

### Reason No. 1:

#### HE'S DONE THE HAIR

**Proof:** "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street" Word on the street is that Depp's being considered for a turn as the wild-haired Mad Hatter. He could just reuse the wig from his murderous musical last year.



Sweeney Todd

### Reason No. 2:

#### MAKEUP IS HIS FRIEND

**Proof:** "Pirates of the Caribbean" franchise If the Mad Hatter doesn't work out, Depp could always shoot for playing the Queen of Hearts. His Jack Sparrow-style guyliner would be perfect.

### Reason No. 3:

#### FANTASY IS HIS BAG, BABY

**Proof:** "Corpse Bride" "Alice" has talking cats and magic edibles, but that's nothing compared with the reality-bending plot of "Corpse Bride," in which Depp voiced a character in love with an undead woman.

### Reason No. 4:

#### WEIRD COSTUMES? BEEN THERE. DONE THAT.

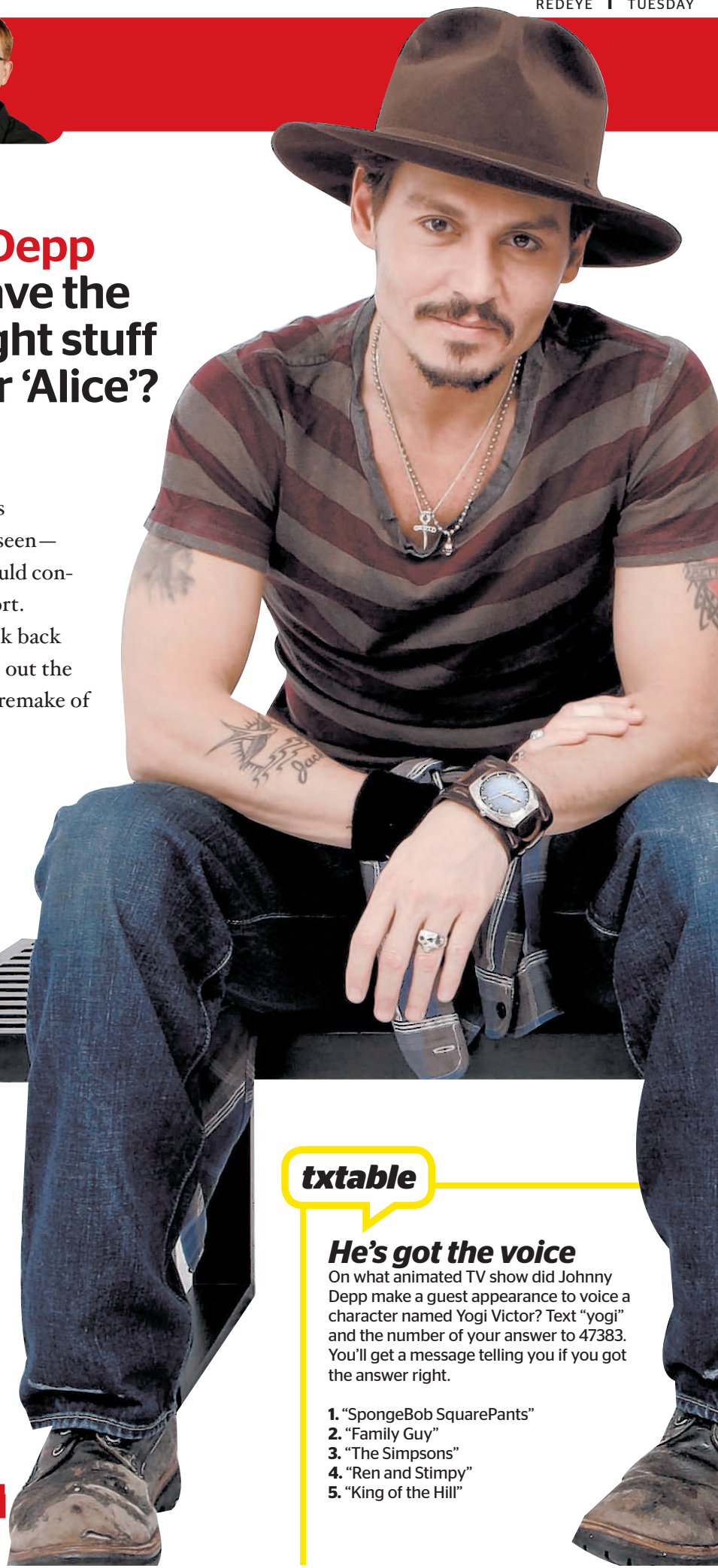
**Proof:** "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" If Burton's reported remake features live action, Depp could immerse himself in wicked crazy costumes—like he did with those latex gloves in his "Chocolate Factory" adventure.



### Reason No. 5:

#### DID WE MENTION THE FANTASY THING?

**Proof:** "Finding Neverland" Depp has tackled the famed Peter Pan story—in a sense. Audiences would surely give him a chance to retell Alice's tale.

Depp  
AP FILE

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#### He's got the voice

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5. "King of the Hill"





Tequila  
AP FILE

## Girl on the loose

Looks like Tila Tequila is back on the prowl after being dumped by Kristy Morgan on TV last month.

The "Shot at Love" star was spotted with new gal pal Courtenay Semel last week, according to People.

She told the mag she "didn't want to jinx anything" about the relationship but said she was happy to avoid drama. "There are no games," she said.

### Golden locks

Mischa Barton says her new 'do is, like, so convenient. "It's just perfect and handy for the summer," the former "O.C." starlet tells [usmagazine.com](http://usmagazine.com). "It's just temporary ... I'm about to go off into other roles and I'll probably have to completely change it up again."

### Bring it on

Alanis Morissette, 34, isn't seeking the fountain of youth. "I'm fascinated by aging and how a woman's body changes," the rocker tells Women's Health's September issue, according to [people.com](http://people.com) excerpts. "I don't want to spend the next 50 years of my life trying to hide those changes."

### Just 'fine'

Shia LaBeouf is recovering from his vehicle crash last month, according to his "Transformers" co-star Isabel Lucas. "We're both fine and Shia's fine as well," Lucas, who has confirmed that she was in the car with LaBeouf, tells "Access Hollywood." She said LaBeouf's hand "is healing well."



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### BITS AND PIECES THE BEST OF WHAT'S LEFT IN BUZZ

**1** Katie Holmes reportedly buys \$275 jeans. Husband Tom Cruise breathes sigh of relief, no longer hides own wardrobe.

**2** Angelina Jolie "not decided" on a candidate. Also up in the air: Can the twins have pudding yet?



Jolie  
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**3** Dude from "My Boys" spotted with Lauren Conrad—again! Maybe he's working on a fashion line.

**4** It's Jonas Brothers week on "TRL"! Go order your skinny pants now.

**5** The cover of Lynne Spears' upcoming memoir. Looks like a good read—in the way the phone book looks like a good read.

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# red hot



Klum

**'That's what she said.'**

The "Project Runway" host is temporarily ditching her trademark "One day you're in, and the next day, you're out" for another famous line.

Klum and several other celebrities are being filmed reciting famous TV catchphrases for a video montage to be shown during the 60th Primetime Emmy Awards on Sept. 21, an ABC rep told RedEye on Monday.

The rep wouldn't say which lines Klum or the others will speak, but since the Emmys are celebrating 60 years, no doubt there'll be some oldies.

It would be funny, though, to hear Heidi yell: "Oh my God, they killed Kenny! You Bastards!" or "Let's hug it out, bitches."

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## Vintage language

What TV show often had a character say the line "Live long and prosper?" Text **"line"** and the number of your answer to **47383**. You'll get a message telling you if you got the answer right.

1. "Star Trek"
2. "Land of the Lost"
3. "Battlestar Galactica"
4. "Knight Rider"

## BONUS

### Who's the character?

Text **"who"** and the number of your answer to **47383**. You'll get a message telling you if you got the answer right.

1. Michael Knight
2. Buck Rogers
3. Mr. Spock
4. Starbuck



Gyllenhaal

# Summer lovin'

As a teenage lifeguard on Martha's Vineyard, Jake Gyllenhaal found himself in at least one sticky situation.

"Someone got stung by a jellyfish, and I peed on their leg to counteract the sting. Otherwise, [my summer] was pretty tame," Gyllenhaal told the New York Post.

Post columnist Cindy Adams recounted how celebrities spent summer vacations as kids.

## SOME HIGHLIGHTS:

» As a teen, Liz Phair was fond of "drinking and driving around in a convertible Volkswagen Rabbit in Winnetka."

» David Duchovny had to enforce the no-topless bathing rule as a New York lifeguard. "[I had] to go tell the ladies to cover up. You'd think that was cool, but at 14 it was mortifying. They'd then cover their nipples with shells. I mean, the last thing a teenage kid wants is to debate with a half-naked woman."

## '90210' story = no Tori

The new "90210" spinoff hasn't even aired an episode yet and already there's drama surrounding the cast.

E! Online reported Monday that Tori Spelling has pulled out of the show, allegedly after learning other cast members were making more money.

Shannen Doherty and Jennie Garth, Spelling's co-stars in the original series, were signed for \$40,000 to \$50,000 an episode; Spelling would have earned less than \$20,000 an episode, **online.com** reports.

"The CW has no deal with Tori Spelling to appear on 90210 at this time," a CW rep confirmed to E!

Spelling's rep agreed: "At this point there are no plans for Tori to appear on the 90210 spinoff."

## The thin style line

Celebrity stylist Rachel Zoe makes no secret of her lax health habits.



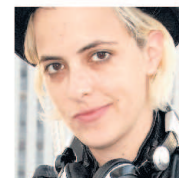
Zoe

"I'm a textbook definition of that perfectionist girl who has huge expectations of herself," she tells Harper's Bazaar. "It's hard for me to take care of myself, let's put it that way. I am my last priority."

The notoriously skinny Zoe, who once styled Nicole Richie and is blamed by some for promoting thinness, posed for a photo shoot in the mag's September issue. The magazine altered at least one photo to make her appear transformed from a Size 0 to a Size 8. The photos of that are on **harpersbazaar.com**.

## A 'private matter'

Normally press shy, celebrity DJ Samantha Ronson actually mentioned Lindsay Lohan in an interview.



Ronson

"I'm not going to talk about Lindsay because she's my friend, you know?" she told Harpers Bazaar. "With the Internet the way it is, one second we're enemies, one second we're best friends, one second we're lovers, and then we're broken up."

LiLo told the mag by e-mail, "Samantha and my relationship is a private matter." So there.

## 38.4 million

Average number of viewers who watched NBC's coverage of the Beijing Olympics during the 8:30 p.m. half hour, the peak period of Sunday's viewership.